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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

Many thanks for your informative letter of December 1. I am pleased to learn that there is to be a book by Olby.

In regard to the material that you enclosed I did not want it back. I merely wished to learn whether you had received it. Had it never reached you, I would have done a "rerun" with the exception of the snapshot. Attached herewith are the enclosures.

My concern stemmed from the experiences here of many persons with a recent lack of delivery of U. S. mail. A letter, important to both of us, was mailed to me by Dickinson W. Richards on November 5th from Lakeville, Connecticut. It has not yet arrived nor has it been returned to Dick. I am told that similar occurrences have been common recently on the Eastern Seaboard. Hence, I am relieved to learn that my September 28th correspondence did reach you.

With all good wishes of the Holiday Season and hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you while we are both in the quick.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures